GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TOURISM
LOK SABHA

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Sustainable Tourism Criteria in India
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Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has launched the implementation of the Sustainable Tourism Criteria for India (STCI) in association with Ecotourism Society of India (ESoI) for the accommodation, tour operators and beaches, backwaters and lake sectors of the tourism industry; and
(b) if so, the details thereof ?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR TOURISM (INDEPENDENT CHARGE)
(DR. MAHESH SHARMA)

(a) & (b): Yes, Madam. The implementation of Sustainable Tourism Criteria for India (STCI) was launched by the Ministry of Tourism in association with Ecotourism Society of India (ESOI) in the month of October 2016. The criteria aims to fully implement sustainable tourism practices, consistent with the best environment and heritage protection standards, such that the present tourism resource requirements optimize both local community benefits and future sustainable uses.

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